

Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

Does this mean special devices will be needed for viewing DTV? Why broadcast anything using open air waves if one is concerned with copy rights?

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices? How will devices that are able to receive DTV signals know who, when, or where a copy right infringement has taken place?

Would the broadcast flag requirement limit consumers ability to use their existing electronic equipment (equipment not built to look for the flag) or make it difficult to use older components with new equipment that is compliant with the broadcast flag standard?

I would have no problem if viewing DTV required the purchase of special equipment. I do not believe that DTV should be allowed reception except on devices specifically made to do so. In other words, DTV networks should not be allowed to call for changes to any other type of electronics.

What will be the cost impact, if any, that a broadcast flag requirement would have on consumer electronics equipment?

I believe consumer electronics manufacturers need new innovations to do well in the consumer market.

Other Comments:

DTV was should have been rolled out already. I personally am totally against any type of equipment that is able to surveille citizens in any way, and this sounds like it could lead to just such. Who do these corporations think they are? DTV? Take it or leave it if it's such a problem.